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On: SEPTEMBER HOG AND PIG INVENTORY  
UP 9 PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO

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Austin . . . The September 1, 2007 Texas hog and pig inventory, at 1.08 million head, was up 9 percent from the September 2006 total of 990,000 head.

The number of breeding hogs totaled 100,000 head, equal to last year's total, according to figures released by the Texas Field Office.

The September 1 market hog inventory was up 10 percent from a year ago to 980,000 head, 91 percent of the total hog and pig inventory. The inventory of market hogs weighing less than 60 pounds, at 340,000 head, was up 8 percent from the previous year. The inventory of hogs weighing 60 to 119 pounds, at 215,000 head, was up 7 percent from the September 2006 inventory. Market hogs weighing 120 to 179 pounds totaled 200,000 head, a 5 percent increase from last year; hogs weighing 180 pounds and over, at 225,000 head, were up 22 percent.

The June-August 2007 Texas pig crop totaled 452,000 head, a decrease of 2 percent from last year. Pigs per litter averaged 8.70, down 9 percent from the previous year. State Director, David Abbe, reported that 52,000 sows farrowed in Texas during June through August 2007, up 8 percent from last year.

The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2007 is estimated at 64.6 million head, up 3 percent from September 1, 2006 and June 1, 2007, inventory. The breeding hog inventory, at 6.14 million head, was up 1 percent from last year. Market hog inventory, at 58.5 million head, was up 3 percent from last year.

The U.S. pig crop for June-August 2007, at 27.5 million head, was up 4 percent from 2006. U.S. producers intend to have 2.96 million sows farrow during the September-November 2007 period, up 1 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2006. Intended farrowings for December 2007-February 2008, at 2.94 million sows, are up 1 percent from the same period last year.